Tis sweet to dwell on Childhood's hour, Tho' past-remembrance yet has pow-

To soothe the mind and to impart, A pensive pleasure to the heart—
To cheer the breast and bosom lone With scenes of rapture long since gone Which on the memory dwell, and seem Like pageant of departed dream.

Oh yes, in many a lonely hour, Thy scenes blest childhood, still have

power, To charm the mind with visions gay Of thy sweet hour, thy brighter day.

The heart then knew nor care nor

pain. Nor mourned for joys to come again, Each little bosom then was light-Each form of fancy then was bright, And memory to the mind can tell, How oft we rov'd thro' wood and dell, And "crop't each flower that caught

the eye,"
Or grew in gaudy beauty by; And passed in wild and sportive play, Each leisure hour or holiday.

Blest hours of innocence passed by Ye claim the tribute of a sigh.

And I, while memory's self shall live, That tributary sigh will give,

Who but could feel how dearer far, Was childhood's hour, then nought could mar,

The happiness of each young breast, Or break its visioned dream of rest-Or if, perchance, a moment's pain It felt, it soon was light again; And each dark feeling passed away, Like mists before a summer day.

Compelled to change those visions glow; For vanity, deceit and wee-

Compelled to stem the world's rude

And buffet ignorance and pride, And still as journeying on thro' life, Meet disappointment, care and strife, Who would not mourn those hours when iree,

From "chili winds of adversity;" The breast ne'er knew mistortune's powe.

Or felt the heart a lonely hour; When hope on every prospect smiled, And fancy shed her "day dreams wild," When every vision on the sight, Each instant grew more gay-more bright.
And pleasure breathed a magic spell,

O'er forms and feelings lov'd so well. Oh yes, while "memory's hand pour-

trays."
The dawn of Youth, its "brighter days."

Regret shall ever fill the mind, For hours that fled like summers wind; And still the troubled care worn breast Looks back upon those moments blest; When it ne'er knew nor care nor pain But which it ne'er shall see again.

On no, they've gone-those hours that

charm'd.

And childhood's breast and bosom warm'd,

Like meteor beam, have fled and past Of love and happiness the last; Yet still on memory shall the gleam. Of childhood's hour its morning beam, Its forms of hope and faney bright. Linger though set in shades of night. And oft when care and pain annoy, Remembrance of departed joy—
Of scenes we loved while yet a child— Its visioned forms and dreams so wild, Shall wake within the pensive breast Some nopes of future peace and rest\_\_\_\_\_\_Some nours from passion void & calm, With happiness—the bosom's balm-A nome where free from this world's

In peace the weary may repose

Mount Holly, Dec. 1817.

From the Connectiont Herald. DEAL, DUMB, & BLIND GIRL. Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Boston, to his friend in N.w.Havet ..

On my return from your city, I tarried a short time at Hartford, and visited the Asylum for the Dear and Dumb. I thould have trespass. ed oftener on the urbanity of the reverend instructor, and his amiable associate, if I had not been deterred by after of retarding the improve-ment of their pupils, for whose welfare and proficiency I felt a peculiar regard. Their promptitude, readiness of apprehension, and docility, notwitirstanding the obstacles to their advancement in knowledge, excited, in my mind, mingled emotions of pleasure and compassion. They are certainly interesting objects; and if I were required to prove the immateriality of the human soul, by a single instance, I would point to one of the inmates of that Asyluni, and inquire, whether the intel. ligence that animates his eye, is not the effect of an etheral energy? i proofs of vigorous intellect in the deaf and dumb, are admirabla how much more wonderful are

evidences of a similar nature, n persons who suffer the additional misfortune of being blind?

" I heard a benevolent lady mention the name of Julia Brace, a girl about eleven years old, living in the vicinity of Hartford, who is afflicted with the treple calamity of blindness. Deafness, and dumbness, having lost the senses of sight and hearing, by the violence of a typhus fever, at the age of four years. On visiting her myself, I learned that the extreme poverty and the obscurity of her parents, have prevented her from being known or particularly noticed, except by the charitable ladies of the town, and a few gentlemen, who have been induced, by mutives of curiosity, to examine her conduct. The following facts and little arecdotes, I relate for your amusement.

" Her form and features are regular and well proportioned. Her temper is mild and affectionate. She is much attached to her infant sister, often passes her hand over the mouth # and eyes of the child, in order to ascertain whether it is crying and soothes its little distresses with all the assiduity and success of a talkative or musical nurse All objects which she can readily handle, she applies to her lips, and rarely fails of determining their character. If any thing is too large for examination in this way, she makes her fingers the interpreters of its nature and properties, and is seldom mistaken. She will beat apples or other fruit from the tree, and select the best with as much judgment as if she possessed the faculty of sight. She often wanders in the fields, and gathers flowers, to which she is directed by the pleasantness of their odeur. Hersense of smelling is remarkably exquisite, and appears to be an assistant guide with her fingers and

" A gentleman, one day, gave her a smell fair She inquired of her lips what it was; and on being informed, returned it into the gentleman's pocket. The mother, observed, that Julia already possessed one fan; she probably thought that another would be superfluous .- The gentleman gave the same fan to a neighbouring girl, whom Julia was in the habit of visiting .- She went, a few days after, to visit her companion, whose toys she passed under the review of her fingers and lips, and among other things, the fan, the identity of which she instantly discovered, and again res tored to the pocket of the gentleman, who happened to be present. "She feels and admires mantle-

piece ornaments, and never breaks or injures the most brittle furniture, even in a strange room.

"She is as obedient as the other children in general. The jar of her mother's foot upon the floor effectually prevents the commission of a fault; but she easily distinguishes the stamping of one of the children from that of her mother, and obeys or not as she pleases.

"Her parents, as you may well suppose, have not been able to in dulge her in dress; but when she receives articles of clothing, or ornaments as presents, she is highly gratified to find that they resemble in form and fashion, those of her playmate. She has, s you perceive, a spice of female vanity! At a teatable, she behaves with more gentility, than many a miss, who has the benefit of eyes, by which to adjust her motions and attitudes.

In short, this poor girl, in her calamitou state, exhibits so much good nature, vivacity and intelligence, that I sincerely wish some plan could be devised to furnish her with instructions. The very tho't, you will say, is visionary. Perhaps it is: but the fingers are so expert. that possibly she might be taught by means of letters raised, or it some way rendered susceptible to the touch. Would not charity and Philosophy be well employed in making this child an object of at-

She might certainly be taught to use a needle skilfully. She has made a vandyke for her cat, a bonnet for her doll, and some other little things of curious workmanship.

A gentleman once made several experiments with a view to satisfy himself whether she really had the discernment, which she was reported to possess. Among other arts for effecting his object, he pretended to carry away her infant sister. She immediately detected the cheat, by ascertaining that his umbrella

\* Probably to discover whether the mouth be distorted, or there are any tears in the cheek.

femained opon the table. She then ment out of the door, and picked the head of a large thistle in full bloom. brought it in, smelling of it as she came, and offered it to the gentle man, apparently as a nosegay. He reached out his hand to receive it; but instead of giving it, she archly pricked his hand by way of retort for his freedom in testing her saga-

INTERESTING TO NAVIGA TORS.

Observations on the magnetic fluid, by Captain Obrien Drury, of the royal navy. From the transactions of the Royal

Irish Academy.
The magnetic fluid and its phenomena, are no less singular than obscure, and have tooling engaged the attention of philosophers, for me to offer any hypothesis on the subject. I mean only to speak of a matter of fact, which I am led to believe may be serviceable to navigation, should the variation of the compass ever be made use of as a method of ascertaining the longi-

It is necessary to enter into a detail of experiments to prove the existence of the magnetic fluid, which circulates continually around and through a magnet, and it is fully demonstrated by the arrangement of iron filing thrown on glass placed over a magnet.

Experience shews us that a needle of a compass, as well as other magnets, whether artificial or real, perpetually loses something of its magnetic power, which often produces a difference exceeding a point; and I am well convinced that the great errors in ship-reckoning proceeds more frequently from the incorrectness of the compass than from any other cause.

Steel cannot be too highly tempered for the needle of a sea compass; as the more it is hardened the more permanent is the magnetisms and consequently the polarity of the needle. I recommend to have the needle cased with thin polished soft iron, else to have it armed at the poles with a bit of soft iron.

I have found, from many experiments, that the cased needle preserved its magnetism in a much more per'ect degree than the needle not cased; and I have sometimes thought that the magnetic power of the cased needle had increased, and the magnetic power of the uncased and unarmed needle always loses its polarity.

Some time ago, I placed a case needle, an unarmed needle, and one without either case or armor, in a room for three months, having at that time precisely the same direction, and nearly the same degree of force. At the expiration of three months, I found that the cased needle, and the unarmed needle, had not in the least changed their direction, but the other had changed two degrees, and had lost very considerably of its magnetic power; if there were any changes in the other needles, it was too inconsiderable to be perceived ...

These observations appear to me to be new, and may tend to great improvement in our sea compass. They are submitted to the consideration of philosophers

By His Excellency, Charles Ridgely of Hampton, Esquire, Governor of Maruland.

A PROCLAMATION. Whereas, it has been represented to me, that Girard Morris and Dicherson D. Mezick, who had been sentenced by the Court of Somerset county at September term last, to seven years con finement in the Penitentiary for kidnapping, made their escape from the gaol of the said county, on Sunday the sixth day of October eighteen hundled and seventeen. And whereas it is the duty of the Executive, in the execution of the laws, to endeavour to bring all malefactors to justice. I have there-fore thought proper to issue this my Proclamation, and do by and with the advice and consent of the Council, offer a reward of Three Hundred Dollars to any person or persons who shall apprehend and deliver to the Sheriff of Somerset county either of the said persons, or Six Hundred Dollars for both Given under my hand and the Seal of the State of Maryland, this third day of November, eighteen hundred and seventeen.

C. RIDGELY, of Hampt. By His Excellency's command, NINIAN PINKNEY,

Clerk of the Council Ordered. That the foregoing procla-mation be published in the Maryland Gazette, Federal Gazette, Federal Republican and Telegraph, the Frederick-town Hersid, the Torch Light, the Allegany Federalist, and the Monitor, at Easton, once a week for eight weeks.
NINIAR PINKNEY,

Clerk of the Council.



Boot and Spoemaking.

WALTER CROSS,

Boot & Shoemaker, having removed, will in future carry on business in he shoplately occupied by Mr. Basil. Sheph and, nearly opposite the store of Mr. J. Highes, Church street. To those of his friends who have favoured him with their patronage, he tenders his unfeigned thanks, and hopes for a continuance of their encouragement, as he with confidence can say, the workmen in his employ are superior to any in this place, and that he can and will make Bods, Shoes, or Gentlemen's Pumps, far superior to any or Gentlemen's Pumps, far supe made in this City.
Annapolis, Oct. 23, 1817.

## REMOV

BASIL SHEPHARD

Having removed to the Store formerly occupied by the late Mr. Barny Curran, will in future carry on business in the same He dedicates his most unfeigned thanks

to the public, for the liberal patronage which he has received, and informs his friends

that he has just received a new and complete stock of Fall Goods, consisting of the following: Best Saxon and Blue Cloth, Black do.

Fancy Brown London Brown do. Fashionable Mixtures; Best doubled Milled Drab Second Black Cassimere, Grey mixed do. Light do. Light and dark mixtures, Paris Olive Cloth,

Fashionable Light Cord. Black Florentines, Best white Marseilles, Coloured Fashionable Toilinet, Olive Cords and Flannel, &c. &c. And a variety of other ARTICLES

too tedious to enumerate. Any of the above goods will be made

up so as to suit purchasers, in the best nanner and on the shortest notice Those who want bargains will find it to their advantage to give him a call.

Oct. 9. N. B. Country produce will be received in part payment.

## JOHN THOMPSON,

MERCHANT TAILOR, Has just received from Baltimore, a se lect assortment of

SEASONABLE GOODS,

CONSISTING OF Superfine blue, black, brown, bottle green grey and olive cloths, Second do, same colours,

Third do. do. do. Cassimere, drab, blue, black and grey superfine, Same colours, second quality, Stockingnets.

With a handsome assortment of Waistcoating, Flannels, &c. &c. With a variety of other ARTICLES, too numerous to mention. All or any of which will be made up

in the most fashionable style, at the shortest notice, and on the most moderate December 4.

BOARDING-HOUSE.

ANNAPOLIS. MRS. ROBINSON,

Occupying the large and commodious buildings formerly in the possessi-

on of Mr. William Brewer, immediately opposite the Farmers Bank of Maryland, is prepared to accommodate Ladies and Gentlemen with boarding, by the day, week, month or year. Her house being but a short distance from the State-House, Gentlemen attending as members of the Legislature will find it a con enient situation for their resi-dence during the session. Mrs. R. having rented her stable to a person who has employed a careful and skilful Oatler, her visitors may rely with entire confidence niter having their horses carefully alterned to. Mirs. R. will use every exercible to give satisfaction to those who may favour her with their Nov. 20.

TEDIVIDAYA ESTE LEAGUE LA GEORGE SCHWRAR

Respectfull returns his most rate full acknowledgments to the critical of Antapolis, for the patronners is in received in bis line of business, and a sures them that no axistion shill be sures them that no axistion shill be wenting on the part to confer ever a traction that can respond to a definite constantly on hand the best qualities flour, which will be made up my pared in a variety of forms to relate tastes and places; the palatic of the wybo, may favour, him sent. who may favour him with their on

Henry Price, having joined Part ship with Leonard Scott, in his rule and Confectionary Establishment to business will hence be conducted in the firm of Scott & Price. They have tend keeping on hand a constant supply

Fruits & Confectionary. of the best quality, also an assortment of Groceries, and best Havania Serin They solicit a share of public encour igement.

Scutt & Price.

Take Notice.

All persons are forewarned landing on or crossing through any part of m farm, on South river, also from hunt ing, with either dog or gun, through any part thereof, likewise from gu-ning or ducking round the shores, or in either of the ponds, as I am determin ed to put the law in force against, all

offenders. 2 Henry S. Holland.

FOR SALE.

A complete Patent Cooking Store, For particulars inquire at the office of the Maryland Gazette.

This is to give notice, That the subscribers hath taken out letters of administration on the person al estate of Michael Burgess, late of A A. County, deceased. All persons have ing claims against the said deceased are requested to bring them in, legali authenticated, and those in any mu ner indebted to the estate to make my

Basil Burgess, adm'r. Dec. 18.

CAUTION.

All persons are hereby cautioned for taking an assignment of a bond give by me to a certain William William for \$200 in the year 1816, as I ar de termined not to pay said bond haring sufficient plea to exonerate me.

B'illiam O'Hara.

Sheriff's Sale:

By virtue of a writ of vendo, espe ome directed from Anne-Arundeless y court, will be exposed to publically ty court, will be exposed to publicate,
Mr. James Hunter's Tavern, in thed
of Annapolis, on Thursday 8th Jams
ry next, at 11°0'clbck for cash, silthe
parts of two tracts of land, lying in A
County, called Browsly Hall, a
Whites Plains; which were county
by Jos. P Plummer to John Plums
being taken as the property of la
Plummer, to satisfy a debt doe has Plummer, to satisfy a debt M Culloch, use Solomon Grove, the per of James Shaw.

R. Welch, of Ben. iff.

Pec. 18.

Chancery Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Carry Court of Maryland, in the cast David Weems, vs. John O'Bellin, subscriber will offer at public at. subscriber will offer at public all Friday, the 9th day of January at James Hunter's Tavers, in an lie, at 11 o'clock, a Negro May Toney. This terms of sale and the purchase final give bond, the purchase money, with interest, purchase money, with interest, and the months from the day of sale of the purchase money, with interest, and the sale of the purchase money, with interest, and the sale of the purchase money, with interest, and the sale of t

By the Committe of Claim

The Committee of Claims of every day during the present from 9 o'clock in the morning in the afternoon. By order, Fountain,

Frederick-town Loll

Those persons who po e's in the above Lottery

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CONGRESS. HOUSE OF REPRESENTA TIVES.

Wednesday, Doc. 17. The Speaker laid before the house the following communication from the Areanury department which theometers to be printed, with the Meanurant of the printed Williams of the Printed Willi Treasury Der artmont.

Dec. 17, 1817

have the honour to transmit helewith for the information of the deration. House of Representatives, an estimate of the appropriation for the service of the year 1818, amounting to \$10,925.191 62, viz: For the Civil List, 1.070,708 02 Miscellaneous Expenses, 490,308.51

Intercourse with foreign nations. .487,666 64 The Military establishment, including arrearages, and

Indian Department, 6.265,135 26 The Naval establishment, including the Marine

Corps,

\$ 10,925,191 62

The funds out of which the appropriations for the year 1818, may be discharged, are the following:

1: Whe sumote \$6,000 000 armin ally reserved by the act of the 4th August, 1790, out of the Duties & Customs, towards the expences of government.

2. The proceeds of the Stamp Daties, and the duty on Sugar refined within the United States.

3. The surplus which may remain of the Customs and Internal duties; after satisfying the plenge for which they are pledged and appropriated. 4. Any other unappropriated mo-

ney which may come into the Treasary during the year 1818. Thave the honour to be, very repectfully, sir, your most obedient

Wи. H. CRAWFORD. The Hon. Speaker of the

House of Representatives. The Speaker also presented to the iouse a report from the department of state on the petition of sundry inhabitants of the District of Deroit, in the Terlitory of Michigan, respecting the losses incurred duting the invailon of 1812, by the British, which was referred to a se-

lect committee and ordered to be printed. On motion of Mr. Holmes, of

Resolved, That a committee be projected to inquire into the expe-lenger of providing by law for the any of the members of the senate and the house of representatives & he depities from the territories of the persons who have been the United States—and that the the pension list since t mittee have leave to report

be selected from each tricts or agencies, his rank spus bringing thereto the and impressions of the varipails of the country, might ai a report which would save the alternative of exhiself before the world in the at attitude of debating its peusanon. This number Spiected to by Mr. Holmes, withed the usual number (of reh) to be appointed, Mr. Liver-ore withdrew his motion, and a publittee of seven was ordered to appointed. On motion of Mi, Harrison,

Resolved. That the secretary of it be and he is helpby instructed. teport to this house the amount COMMUTATION ON the pensions which have been anted to the widows and orphans detessed officers. and soldiers of itself into a committee of elast way. elate way, specifying the number cach grade of officeare to whose dissorting the persons have grated. Mr. Sergeants

olved That the committee

Judges of the distr the several districts, a of the supreme source respective alroutes, to vacancy that may have reason of the death, re distibility of the gent aloners of bankruptey the President, under of the act entitled in mend the judicial byste States," where the sam of any pending commis

ruptey. ORDER OF THE The house then again self luto a committee o Mr., Bassett in the chai provide for cocimuci lands of the soldiers army—the motion to, si first section being still

The debate was re continued to a late hour Mesers. Ball, Colston, Storrs, Holmes, of M. a spoke against the bill, Anderson, of Ky. Bald son, Clay, and Johnson, vocated it. In conclusion, Mr. C

ed, that is with the view the principle of the bill, was made to strike out t tion, he had prepared, which he believed would ny of the objections whi urged against it he ay the gentleman (Mr. He moved to strike out the the propriety of withd motion, so as to give him an opportunity of president to the consideration the committee.

Mr. Holmes, desirou the friends of the bill ev tunity of making it accep House, withdrew his moti out the first section; wh Mr. Clay offered a sul way of amendment, embr

ous provisions varying in r from the original bill. T ments having been read-The committee rose progress, and obtained le

again-the House having ordered Mr. Clay's amor be printed. INTERNAL DUT The amendments of th

the bill to bolish the Int es, were taken up and se greed to; so that the bill only the approbation of dent to become a law. A resolution for distril

public documents, was rec the Senate, read three t passed; and The House adjourned.

December 18. Mr. Taylor of N. Y. for consideration the follo lution:

Resolved, That the sec the department of war be to report to the house made to the house of reprefrom that department bea May 28, 1813, designating May 28, 1813, designating May 28, 1813, designating ber of each pensioner as on the roll of the respec-tricts or agencies, his rank ity, and the amount of ar

pend at present to each pe requiring this information. position was now before for glving a bounty in landisbanded officers; it was the house should know ho those officers already stan A proposition was before ; also, to extend for five pensions now allowed to se the late war: Mr. T. v know how many were those ers, and to what amount.

The motion was agreed

itself into a committee of on the bill for the commu soldiers pay-

ing to the amendment of ding a substitute for the bitthe committee) proposed the committee animal sanction is far